

# Allocations Committee



**Jared Vega, Chair**

Wednesday, November 2, 2011

5:00 pm to 6:30 pm

Public Health

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## Meeting Minutes

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### Attendance

**Committee Members** *AT: Attended AB: Absent EX: Excused ALT: Alternate Present*

AT	Cheri Tomlinson	AT	Debby Elliott <i>alt: Philip Seeger</i>	EX	Jared Vega	AT	Maclovia Morales
AT	Mary Rose Wilcox <i>alt: Mark Kezios</i>	AT	Randall Furrow	AT	Juan Carlos Perez		

### Guests

Edward Ornelas	Cynthia Trottier	Celina Sanchez	Dan Lindell
Boni Lowney	Fatima Freig	Marge Samson	

### Administrative Agent Staff

Rose Conner                      Kenneth Leighton-Boster

**Support Staff:** John Sapero

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### Welcome, introductions and declarations of any conflicts-of-interest

Juan Carlos Perez, Committee Vice Chair called the meeting to order and welcomed the attendees. Everyone introduced him/her self and declared any conflicts-of-interest.

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Funding is provided by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009 and the Maricopa County Department of Public Health.

Copies of the documents provided to the participants of this meeting may be requested from Planning Council Support.

## **MEETING MINUTES** *continued*

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### **Determination of quorum**

Juan Carlos Perez determined that quorum was established with five of seven members present at approximately 5:05 pm.

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### **Review of minutes and action items**

Participants silently reviewed the summary minutes for the October 5, 2011 meeting. No corrections were voiced.

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### **Committee Chair Update**

No update was provided.

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### **Administrative Agent update**

Rose Conner discussed:

- 2 Direct Dental Contracts have been approved by the Board of Supervisors, effective November 2, 2011
- Early Intervention Services contracts have been approved for a Patient Navigator for newly diagnosed clients identified during ED testing and another for new clients to the EMA and RWPA services
- The Opt-Out Testing Pilot Project for Maricopa County Jails has been approved by HRSA to start November 1, 2011. RWPA will provide funding through EIS Services for Counseling, Education and Health Literacy, and Linkage to Care through an Inter-Departmental Agreement (IDA) with Maricopa County Business Strategies and Health Care Programs
- 1. The IDA with Maricopa County Business Strategies and Health Care Programs will also include Non-Medical Case Management Services to fund transitional case management services for incarcerated individuals being released to the community from the Maricopa County Jail System
- 2. A provider has been contracted to provide Early Intervention Services, including expanded testing hours, counseling, education and health literacy and linkage to care. Several capacity building issues were identified before expanded testing could begin on Nov. 1. The contractor is requesting that the costs incurred during Sept. and October associated with capacity building be approved for reimbursement. This requires Planning Council approval for the AA to approve these costs, which will not exceed \$10,000
- Primary Care Providers are seeing an increase in clients transitioning from AHCCCS to RWPA. The EMA's main PMC provide saw 37 new RWPA clients in October. Primary Medical Care expenditures are at expected levels to expend all PMC funds at year-end
- PCIP enrollment of RWPA clients as of Sept.1 is 234 clients, with 26 clients awaiting enrollment. RWPB expects total enrollment of RWPA clients to be approximately 300 at year end

## **MEETING MINUTES** *continued*

- Mental Health and Substance Abuse expenditures are currently 20% below expected expenditures. The AA will continue to monitor these categories to determine if reallocations are necessary in December, 2011
- The allocation for Medical Nutrition Services may need to be decreased due to recent changes in policies related to oral supplements.
- One of the EMA's Food Box providers has terminated their contract with RWPA effective Dec. 1, 2011. All food box clients will be transitioned to another provider. Congregate meals will no longer be provided after the termination of this contract

Q: What the dollar amount was for Mental Health/Substance Abuse?

A: This was estimated to be about \$250,000.

Q: Why are the Mental Health and Substance Abuse categories under spent?

A: The Planning Council allocated substantial funding for both services, based on issues with AHCCCS clients being dropped from services. This has not happened.

Q: If AHCCCS denies nutritional supplements to clients, can the client then utilize Ryan White services?

A: No, this will not be possible – AHCCCS requires proof of medical necessity, and if the client cannot establish this, then they could not access RW services. Currently, there are 650 clients receiving nutritional services. 252 have been identified as being AHCCCS eligible, with 53 of these clients receiving caloric supplements.

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### **Reallocations**

**MOTION:** Mark Kezios moved to allocate \$40,000 from unallocated MAI funds to Early Intervention Services, and \$45,000 from unallocated MAI funds to Medical Case Management. Randall Furrow seconded.

**DISCUSSION:** None.

**OUTCOME:** The motion passed.

**MOTION:** Randall Furrow moved to approve Early Intervention Services capacity building expenditures, not to exceed \$10,000. Mark Kezios seconded.

**DISCUSSION:** Phil Seeger asked for clarification regarding what capacity building would entail. Rose Conner replied that funds would cover staff training and programmatic costs related to implementing services.

**OUTCOME:** The motion passed.

## **MEETING MINUTES** *continued*

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### **Determination of agenda items for the next meeting**

In addition to recurring agenda items, the following agenda items were added:

### **Agenda Items**

Reallocations

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### **Action Items to be completed by the next meeting:**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Assigned To</b>

### **Current Event Summaries**

Dan Lindell discussed the ADAP formulary had been extensively revised.

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### **Call to Public**

Fatima Freig provided a brief overview of the Dental Insurance program's activities.

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### **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:40 pm.